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Board Postpones Decision on Permit for Sunshine Canyon Landfill

After hearing over four hours of testimony on the proposed permit for the Sunshine Canyon Landfill from community members, staff, and the landfill operator, the Board voted to continue the matter to a future Board meeting. The Board asked staff to address numerous issues before they would consider adoption of the permit, focusing on community member's concerns about the water quality and health risks posed by the landfill expansion. The Board directed staff to come back to the Board with a proposed plan for the investigation of any potential health risks. In addition, the Board asked staff to address the following concerns:

- Cumulative impacts of the entire landfill expansion
- The amount of wetlands potentially displaced by the expansion
- Characterization of the volatile organic compound plume detected beneath the closed City portion of the landfill
- More information about the leachate collection system and the sewer's capacity to accept the collected leachate
- Investigation of the alleged wind tunnel affect in the canyon that could carry pollution to the nearby Los Angeles reservoir

The Board directed staff to bring a discussion of these items and a timeframe for their resolution to the next Board meeting to be held on August 7, 2003.

Next LARWQCB Board Meeting

The 465th meeting of the LARWQCB will be held at 9:00am on August 7, 2003 at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, CA. The agenda can be viewed at: <http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb4/html/meetings/meetings.html>